under the overall direction of medical professionals. Therefore, PT/OT graduates cannot be compared with MBBS graduates.

(e) Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has introduced the Paramedical and Physiotherapy Central Council Bill, 2007 during the current session of parliament for coordinated development in the education of paramedical and physiotherapy with a view to regulating and maintaining standards of such education, maintenance of register of Paramedics and physiotherapists.

Non-evasion imaging technology under ILTP

2043. SHRIMATI SYEDA ANWARA TAIMUR:
SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the technology, obtained in the field of non-evasion imaging from Russia under the Integrated Long Term Programme (ILTP) signed between India and Russia by former PM late Shri Rajiv Gandhi and Mr. Mikhail Gorbachev on 3rd July, 1987, has been evaluated in Indian hospitals and research institutions; and

(b) if so, whether this technology has been adopted for non-invasive images non-pathological diagnosis especially in the rural areas?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS): (a) According to Department of Science and Technology, non-evasion technology received from Russia is being examined by few research institutes in the country.

(b) Does not arise.

Bill on sickle cell anaemia

2044. SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA:
SHRIMATI SYEDA ANWARA TAIMUR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is thinking of introducing a Bill on National Sickle Cell Anaemia Control has been demanded by the Sickle Cell Society of India, Nagpur;

(b) if so, what is the gist of the recommendations contained in the proposed Bill; and

(c) what is the time-frame for introduction of this Bill so that it becomes an Act after Parliament have passed the same?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS): (a) At present there is no such proposal pending with Central Government.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

CGHS in Gujarat

2045. SHRI PRAVEEN RASHTRAPAL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) how many towns and cities are covered by CGHS in Gujarat State;

(b) what are the possibilities for covering remaining towns and cities in Gujarat;

(c) whether there is any request from the Government of Gujarat to cover capital of the State, Gandhinagar, under CGHS; and

(d) what is the status of the matter?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS): (a) Ahmedabad in Gujarat is covered by CGHS.

(b) to (d) The Government of Gujarat has requested for covering Gandhinagar by the CGHS. Opening of more dispensaries will depend upon the likely beneficiaries and availability of resources.

CGHS recognised institutions

2046. SHRI PRAVEEN RASHTRAPAL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the names of private hospitals and institutions, laboratories, etc., in the State of Gujarat which are recognized by CGHS for treatment of the Central Government employees; and

(b) how many applications for recognition are pending with his Ministry as far as Gujarat State is concerned alongwith the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS): (a) The following private hospitals and diagnostic centres have been empanelled under CGHS, Ahmedabad:—

HOSPITALS

1. Krishna Heart and Super Speciality Institute;

2. SAL Hospital & Medical Institute; and

3. Appollo Hospital International Limited.

DIAGNOSTIC CENTRES

1. Appollo Hospital City Centre;

2. Scientific Diagnostic Centre Private Limited;

3. The Appollo Clinic;

4. Usmanpura CT Scan Centre; and

5. Green Cross Voluntary Blood Bank, Pathology and RIA Laboratory.

(b) The application of Samvad Orthopedic Hospital, Ahmedabad is pending for inspection by the Quality Council of India.

Publicity of Rural Health Mission

†2047. SHRI ALI ANWAR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.